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In re Application of

BOEHMER, et al. : DECISION ON PETITION

Application No.: 09/485,559

Filed: February 11, 2000 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

Attorney Docket No.: FL1049USPCT

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 10, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed July 7, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. While a timely reply was filed on August 22, 2005, that reply did not prima facie place this application in condition for allowance as indicated in the Advisory Action mailed September 19, 2005. No extensions of time under provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained and a Notice of Appeal was not filed. Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on October 8, 2005.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and submission as required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office action of July 7, 2005 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

The application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1764.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned.

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